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APPLICANT: HARDIN ET AL. § EXAMINER: RILEY, J.

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PETITION FOR 1 MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully petitions the Assistant Commissioner under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to grant a 1 MONTH extension of time to and including 17 November 2004, in which to file a response to the office action dated 17 September 2004.

A check in the amount of \$55 is enclosed.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 501518.

Respectfully Submitted,

Date: November 12, 2004

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